

## Performing Artist Professional Development/Career Advancement Funding

**FUNDING – Covers costs of a single purchase up to \$1,000.00 as a reimbursement**

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

- This funding is specifically designed to help individuals who are professionally engaged in the performing arts. Projects can include but are not limited to: creation/design of marketing materials (*photo, video, print, web, recording, etc.*), conference registration, professional development, equipment purchase, etc.

### GUIDELINES

- Ongoing training is ineligible (e.g. *vocal lessons, acting class, etc.*)
- Performing Artist must live in Utah as their permanent residence a minimum of 10 months of the year, be 18 years old or older, and not a full-time student pursuing high school, college or university art-related degrees.
- Applicants must have been performing professionally for 3+ years.
- Applicants may receive only one Professional Development/Career Advancement funding award every other fiscal year.
- Payment will be given as a reimbursement once applicant has provided proof of payment for services (*receipt*).
- Performing Artists who receive [booking conference support from the Performing Arts Program](#) are ineligible for funding within the same fiscal year.
- This funding opportunity will be available until funds are expended on an annual basis.
- Rolling deadline: must apply a minimum of 6 weeks before project start date.
- No cash match is required.
- Applicants may not be a board member, staff member (*full-time, part-time or contractual*), or an immediate family member of UDAM.
- Applicants may not use this funding to pay immediate family members for services.
- If an applicant wants to use this funding to purchase equipment or hire a person/company for professional services (*photographer, videographer, etc.*), two bids must be provided as well as an explanation in respect to selection.

### REVIEW CRITERIA

- Preference will be given to first time applicants.
- Applications will be reviewed based on the merit of professional advancement and quality of application.
- Career readiness; artist is at a pivotal career stage and this support will help advance them to the next level.

### PROCESS

1. Fill out and submit application (*include bids if appropriate*).
2. If approved, applicant will receive notification as well as a “Letter of Understanding” that applicant will sign and return.
3. Once applicant has paid for the project, applicant will submit proof of payment (*receipt*).
4. UDAM will process reimbursement (*up to \$1000*) once receipt has been submitted.
5. Payment will arrive via mail.

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